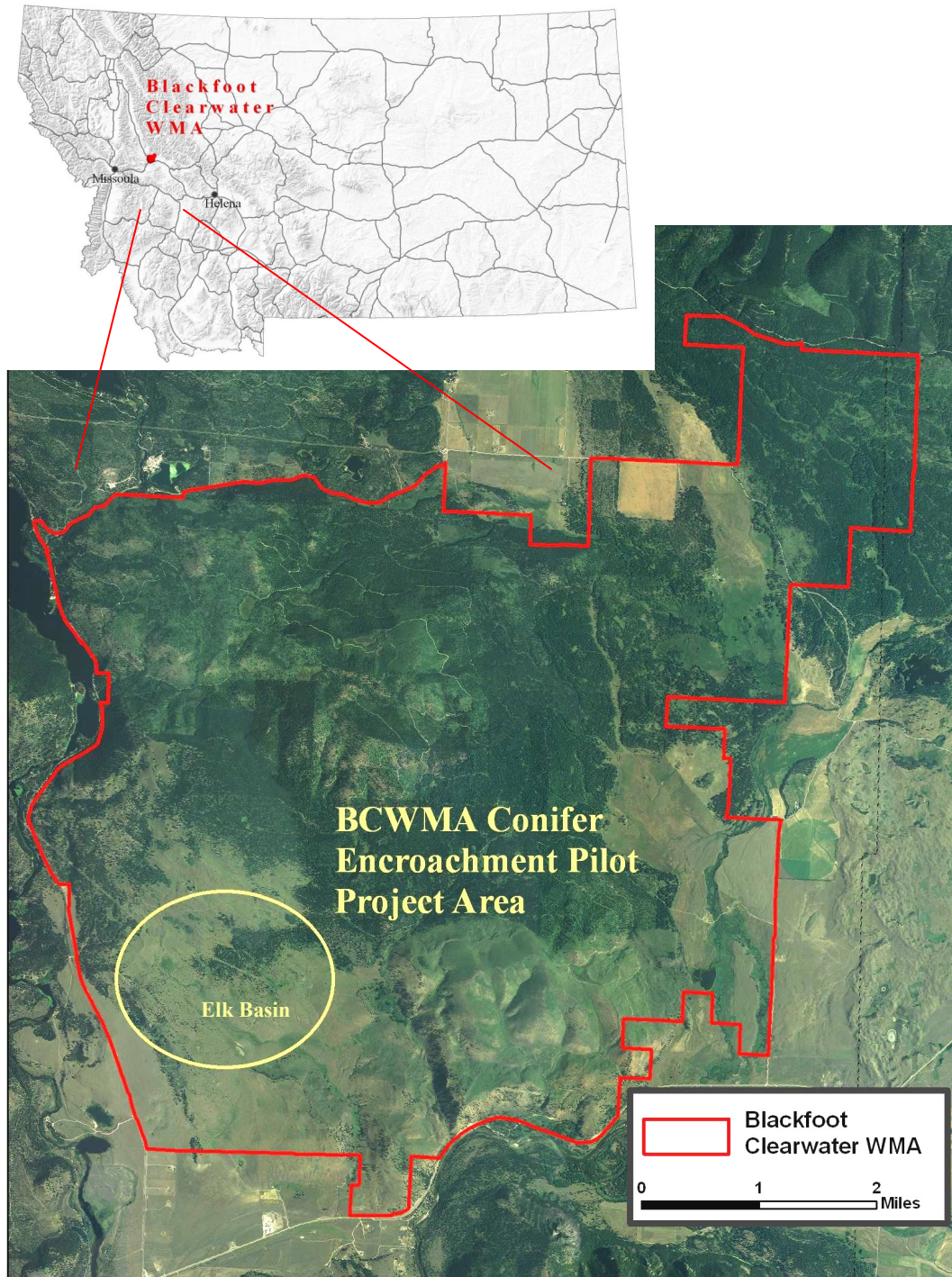


**Figure 1. BCWMA Conifer Encroachment Project area map and current site condition photos.**



Conifer encroachment in Elk Basin, BCWMA



Due to the suppression of periodic wildfire, saplings establish where conifers stands were historically absent.

Shade intolerant rough fescue is stressed and dying out under conifer canopy.

